



Noah's Ark Zoo Farm, Clevedon Road, Wraxall, Bristol, BS48 1PG

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Activity being assessed	School and Group Visits to Noah's Ark Zoo Farm																																																																																			
Location of Activity	Noah's Ark Zoo Farm (NAZF)																																																																																			
Risk assessment reference number	4.2.2																																																																																			
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Method Statement

Noah's Ark Zoo Farm is a working zoo set in over 100 acres of countryside with 100 species of animals on site. A wide variety of activities can be participated in during school and group visits including walking around the site, viewing the animal collection, animal petting & feeding, taking part in daily/educational events or workshops and playing in the play areas. All animal enclosures are kept locked to prevent public access. All public areas of the zoo have separate individual risk assessments and are maintained and inspected daily.

These are guidelines only and teachers and group leaders are recommended to complete their own risk assessment prior to the visit.

We review our risk assessment annually unless there are any changes in the meantime.

Residual risk to be calculated after all reasonably practicable control measures have been implemented.
 Residual risk score –Likelihood (L) x Severity (S) =Residual Risk (RR). See matrix on front page.



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Hazard identified	Persons affected, and how	Existing Control measures	Additional control measures	L	S	RR
Slips, trips and falls	Educational groups visiting NAZF having an accident (trips/falls/slip) whilst exploring the site	<p>All public areas are reviewed by the Health and Safety Officer and Team on a regular basis. Any areas deemed unsafe will be shut until appropriate maintenance work can be carried out.</p> <p>Wet floor signage used when necessary.</p> <p>Trained first aiders on site.</p> <p>Teacher/Leader supervision.</p>		3	2	G
Injury from play equipment	Educational groups visiting NAZF using our play equipment – slips/trips/falls	<p>ROSPA annual inspection.</p> <p>Internal bimonthly operational inspection of all play equipment carried out by ROSPA qualified staff members.</p> <p>Daily checks of play equipment carried out by staff and any areas deemed unsafe will be shut until appropriate maintenance work can be carried out.</p> <p>Teacher/leader supervision.</p>		2	2	G
Reactions to chemicals/cleaning products	Educational groups visiting NAZF coming into contact with cleaning products – skin irritation	<p>All cleaning products are locked away with restricted access.</p> <p>COSHH protocols followed.</p> <p>Surfaces cleaned with safe products.</p> <p>Primary cleaning product SAFE4 DISINFECTANT is non-toxic and skin safe at all working dilutions which are used in all public access areas.</p> <p><i>No public access to neat chemical.</i></p>		1	3	W



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		<i>Please refer to Risk Assessment 3.1 Safe 4 and COSHH Risk Assessment for Safe 4 disinfectant for further information.</i>				
Risk of infection from communal public areas on site	Educational groups visiting NAZF whilst exploring the zoo – illness/infection contracted from other visitors in communal areas	<p>Hand washing facilities with soap and water in place all around the site.</p> <p>Extra hand sanitation points at all high contact areas using SAFE4 DISINFECTANT at 10:1 concentration in foaming dispensers.</p> <p>Frequent cleaning and disinfecting with SAFE4 DISINFECTANT 50:1 concentration of surfaces that are touched, particularly in high use areas – door handles, toilet facilities, hand washing facilities, play areas.</p>		1	2	W
Stings/bites from insects	Educational groups visiting NAZF getting stung or bitten by wild insects	<p>Wasp traps/deterrents set up around site.</p> <p>First aid trained staff always on site.</p>		2	2	G
Faecal contamination from animal droppings	Educational groups visiting NAZF and coming into contact with droppings whilst exploring the zoo or during educational workshops - resulting in illness	<p>Staff and volunteers conform to strict zoonotic policies and protocols with any animal faeces in public areas being removed immediately.</p> <p>Hand washing is encouraged: hygiene posters and hand washing stations placed around site, at both entrances and exits of all animal contact zones.</p> <p>Risk animals are isolated.</p> <p>Sinks are directly opposite classrooms and classes are encouraged to use these at the end of all educational sessions.</p> <p>Use of hand sanitiser during and after educational sessions encouraged.</p>		1	3	G
Injuries from zoo animals (scratches/bites etc)	Educational groups visiting NAZF – stroking/feeding animals whilst	All animals are in secure, locked enclosures which are regularly checked by staff. Staff follow strict lock protocols to ensure animals are secure in their enclosures.		2	2	G



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	exploring the zoo and during educational sessions	<p>Animal escape procedures reviewed regularly, and practice escape procedures take place throughout the year.</p> <p>Public only allowed to feed/handle low risk animals.</p> <p>Only low risk, well-handled animals are used in educational workshops</p> <p>Teacher/leader supervision.</p>				
Allergic reactions to animals	Educational groups visiting NAZF coming into contact with animals during their visit/educational sessions	<p>Enquire prior to visit if children suffer from any allergies and avoid using these in educational workshops.</p> <p>Teacher/Leader supervision.</p> <p>Hand washing facilities located around site.</p> <p>First aiders always on site.</p>		1	3	W

<p>Acceptable residual risk scores</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • White – safe for all • Green – Safe for all • Amber – Acceptable providing all reasonably practicable control measures are in place • Red – fully trained, competent staff/contractors only • Black – Not safe as is, additional control measures needed
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<p>Initials of staff affected (Read and understood)</p>	
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